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The popular musical play, "The Balkan Princess," was the attraction at the Theatre Royal last night, and once again, in spite of the hot weather, there was a large and enthusiastic audience. The piece was well put on the dresses being smart and the scenery most effective. All the members of the Company threw themselves heart and soul into the piece, with the result that the acting was tip-top, the music entrancing and the humour overabundant. Of course, Miss Madge Vincent was charming in the role of the Princess Stephanie, while good work was also done by Miss Dorothea Temple, Miss Lily Drury and Miss Jennie Poole. In the respective parts of Blatz and Henry the waiter, Mr. Bobby Roberts and Mr. Alfred Frisk kept the fun going fast and furious; both were at their very best and the house was in consequence kept in roars of laughter. Other parts taken with marked success were those in the hands of Mr. T. O. Maxwell, Mr. James McGrath and Mr. Henry Frank. To-night "The Girl in the Train" is to be staged.

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POKFULAM WATER SUPPLY.

Letter From Government.

DR. FITZWILLIAMS' WARNING.

Mr. E. D. C. Wolfe presided over a
meeting of the Sanitary Board on Tuesday
afternoon when there were also present
Hon. Mr. A. W. Bawlin, O.M.G., Hon. Mr.
E. A. Hewett, Dr. G. Fitzwilliams, Mr. Lau
Chi Pak, Mr. Ng Hoi Tin, Dr. F. Clark,
Medical Officer of Health and Mr. W.
Seven-Rowlands, secretary.

A letter from Government relative to
the Pokfulam water supply was con-
sidered. The letter was as follows:—
With reference to the letter from this
Department of the 28th April last, I am
directed to forward for the information of
the Board a copy of a minute by the
Principal Civil Medical Officer dated 3rd
July, together with an extract from an
exhaustive report from the Government
Bacteriologist. A copy of the whole of this
report will be forwarded to the Board as
soon as copies can be printed.

Hon. Dr. J. M. Atkinson, Principal
Civil Medical Officer, in his minute, stated
that this was the first time that such a
thorough examination of the bacteria
found in a tropical water had been
undertaken. It had been said that the
water was always present in the water here,
but this investigation had disproved that
statement. The object of the
investigation was to discover what caused
the variations in the presence of these
organisms. Dr. Macfarlane's conclusions
were that the cause of the variations in the
water was focal contamination, either by man or
animals. With the exception of the pipe
wood pulchra intake, the variations in the
number of bacteria were so slight that it
was improbable that any marked sewage
contamination occurred. He agreed with
Dr. Macfarlane that it was probable that
the variations in the water of this intake
were due to the dumping of night-soil.
Storages in a reservoir seemed to be
necessary, and it was appeared advisable
that the water, which had passed through
the filter beds should be allowed to run to
waste for the first few days after filter had
been made.

Dr. Fitzwilliams minute—I attach a
letter.
The President was of the opinion that
the attaching of a letter was a somewhat
unusual form. He had read it, and it
contained certain criticisms which he
presumed Dr. Fitzwilliams would bring
before the Board at the meeting. It
seemed to him hardly fair on the Secretary
to call upon him to read a letter running
into three pages of what the member could
and he presumed would, bring forward at
this meeting or some future meeting. The
usual procedure had been to confine re-
marks on the covers with went round with
papers to short criticisms; to questions and
notes asking for further information which
could be dealt with when the paper was
brought before the meeting.

Dr. Fitzwilliams explained that the
reason he attached the letter was because he
was uncertain whether he would be able to
attend the meeting at which a certain paper
was to be discussed. Also, he had been
attached, and had himself before attached,
letters of some length.

The President—Minutes have been at-
tached, not letters.
Dr. Fitzwilliams—Then I will alter the
word "letter" to "minute".

The President then asked members to
confer themselves to as short a space as
possible on the cover, and to bring the
matter before the Board at the meeting
when it would be fully reported. He
thought that would be more in conformity
with the ordinary rules of debate.

Dr. Fitzwilliams remarked that his letter
was merely preliminary to what he had to
say on the report.

Hon. Mr. Hewett said he had written a
gratuitous minute, some long and some
short. He thought the present minute was
perfectly in order if the word "Sir" was
left out at the top, and the words "Your

faithfully" at the bottom. He had had to
write longer minutes than the one before the
meeting to attach to Government papers.

The President—Then I will ask the Sec-
retary to read this as a minute.

Dr. Fitzwilliams said that from the
minute of the P. C. M. O. he thought the
whole object of the report had gone astray.
It was not the object of the report to
discover variations in organisms, but to
settle the question whether the Pokfulam
water was suitable or unsuitable for potable
purposes. He did not see that because
copies of the report had not been printed,
that that was sufficient reason why the
original should not have been sent down.

It was at the Board's instigation that the
report had been made and it seemed to him
to be poor consolation, if a man was dying
of typhoid, to know that on Tuesdays,
Fridays and Saturdays the water in
Pokfulam was good to drink.

Hon. Mr. Hewett asked if the report was
going to be circulated shortly.

The President said that he had no in-
formation on the subject at present. He
understood the report was to be printed.

Hon. Mr. Hewett considered that until
members had seen the full report they
could not express an opinion. Having
lived at "Craig Rynie" for some four years
he knew perfectly well that a large amount
of excreta matter was fired down the gully.
He maintained that the Pokfulam water
ought to be used no longer. He moved
that the Government be asked to furnish
the Board with a copy of the full report as
soon as possible.

The proposition was carried, being
seconded by Dr. Fitzwilliams.

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Head—Chu Tau 15
Heart—Chu Sum each 13
Kidneys—Chu Yiu 9
Liver—Chu Con 1b 20
Park Chop—Chu Pei Kwat 20
" Corned—Ham Chu Yuk 1
Leg—Chu Pei 24
Fat or Lard—Chu Yau 15
Sheep's Head and Feet—Young Tau Kark set 50
Heart—Young Sum each 6
Kidneys—Young Yiu 9
Liver—Young Con 1b 24
Suet, Beef—Sang Ngau Yan 22
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Mutton—Sang Young Yau 22
Veal—Ngau Chai Yuk 20
Sausages—Ngau Chai Chung 20

Poultry.

Chicken—Kai Chai 1b 28
Capons, Large, Small—Sin Kai 30
Ducks—Pai 18
Doves—Pai Kau each 1
Eggs, Hen—Kai Tan per doz 24
Fowls, Canton—Kai 1b 34
" Hainan—Hoi Nam Kai 27
Geese—Ngi 22
Geese, Wild Shai—Shang-hoi Yea Ngi pair 22
Musk Deer—Wong Keng each 1
Hare, Shanghai—Tu Chai 1
Partridge—Che Khoo 1
Pheasant—Shan Kai pair 30
Pigeons, Canton—Pai Kip each 30
" Hoihow—Hoi How Pak Kip 24
Quail—Um Chun 1
Rice Birds—Wo Fa Cheuk dozen 23
Snipe—Se Choy each 23
Turkeys, Cook—Pheo Kai Kung 60
" Hen 49
Wild Ducks, Shai—Shang-hoi Sui Ap pair 1
" Sui Ap Chai 1
Wild Ducks, Canton—Sang Shing Sui Ap 1

Fish.

Barbel—Ka Yu 1b 11
Bream—Bin Yu 16
Canton Fresh Water Fish—Hoi Sia Yu 16
Carp—Li Yu 20
Catfish—Chik Yu 18
Codfish—Mun Yu 18
Crabs—Hoi 17
Cuttle Fish—Muk Yu 15
Dab—Sa Mang Yu 18
Dace—Wong Mai Lun 19
Dog Fish—Tie Tu Se 9
Eels, Congor—Hoi Man 17
Fresh Water—Tam Siu Yu 19
Eels, Yellow—Wong Siu 23
Frogs—Tien Hai 24
Jarrow, Sea Pak 60
Gudgeon—Pak Kip Yu 12
Herrings—Tou Pak 20
Jalibut—Chung Kwai Kip 32
Loach—Wong Fa Yu 20
Loach—Wu Yu 32
Lobsters—Lung Ha 40
Mackerel—Chi Yu 24
Mud Fish—Mong Yu 28
Mullet—Chai Yu 26
Oysters—Sang Hoo 16
Parrrotfish—Kai Kung Yu 16
Pike—Fa Paw Poong 15
Plaice—Pan Yu 16
Pomfret, Black—Hak Chong 24
Pomfret, White—Pak Chung 32
Pawns—Ming Ha 48
Ray—Pai Pa Sa 9
Rock Fish—Sak Ka Kung 15
Roach—Chu Yu 16

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Meat.

Salmon—Ma Yau Yu 2b 58
Shark—Sa Yu 9
Skate—Po Yu 10
Shrimps—Ha 23
Snappers—Lap Yu 32
Solea—Tat Sa Yu 40
Tench—Wan Yu 18
Turbot—Cho How Yu 24
Turtles, small, fresh water—Eork Yu 54
White Bait—Ngau Yu Chai 11

Fruits.

Almonds—Hung Yan 2b 25
Apples (California)—Kam San Ping Kho 20
" (Chico)—Tin Chun Ping Kho 10
" Small—Hui Tong 10
" Custard—Fan Lai Chai 6
Bananas, fragrant, Canton—San Shing 1b 3
Bananas, (brides), Macao—San Heung Chu 3
Chestnuts, Chinese—Fong Lut 1
Carambola—Young Tuo 6
Cocoanuts—Yeh Tuo each 10
Lemons, China—Ning Moong 6
" America—Kum San Ning Moon 8
Lichees Dried—Tai Chi, small Stone 1b 20
" Fresh 10
Limes (Siam)—Sai Kung Ning Moong each 10
Mango, Manila—Lui Sung Mong 10
Mangoes, Canton—San Chai Tse 40
Oranges (Canton)—San Shing Tim Ching 1b 10
Oranges Sweet 10
Pears (American)—Kam San Shoot Lay 10
" (Canton), Cooking—Sa Lay 6
Peanuts—Fa Sang 10
Persimmons Large—Hung Chie 10
Pine-apples, Intiquity—Foon Ti Paw Law each 10
" 2nd —Chung tang Paw Law 10
Plum—Tai Chai 1b 2
Plums—Swatow, Hung Lai 10
Pumelo, Siam—Chim Lo Yau each 10
" Shanghai—Lo Kwat 10
Walnuts—Hop Tuo 1b 20
" Green—Sang Hop Tuo 10
Water Melon—(Am.) Kam San Sai Kwai each 10
" (China) Sai Kwai 3
Grapes—Sang Po Tai Tee 1b 15

Vegetables &c.

Artichokes, Shanghai—Sheung-hoi Ah 1b 1
" Chi Chuk 1
Beans (French), Macao—Oh Moon Pin Tau 1
" (French), Shanghai—Sheung Hoi 1
" Pin Tau 1
" Sprout—Ah Cho 2
" Long—Tau Ko 8
" Best Root—Hing Choi Tau each 2
" Brinjals, Green—Chung Yau 5
" Red—Hung Ker 5
" Cabbage, Chinese, com—Kai Choy 8
" Cabbage Red—Hung Yau Choy 13
" Cabbage, Shanghai—Yeh Chai 14
" Cane Shoots, bunch—Kau Shun 1b 8
Cauliflower, Large size—Tai Yeh Cho Fa, each 1
" Medium size—Cheung Yeh Cho Fa 1
" Small size—Sai Yau Cho Fa 1
Carrots—Kam Shan 1b 6
Celery, Chinese—Tong Kan Choi 6
" English—Young 1
Chillies Dried—Gon Lai Chai 10
" Red—Hung Far 25
" Green—Ching Lay Chai 8
" Curry Stuff, English—Kau Lee Chu Lau 15
" Cantonese—Ching Kwa 2
Bitter Squash—Fu Kwa 8
Garlic—Que Tau 8
Ginger, young—Sau Tse Kung 6
" old—Lo Kung 8
Horse Radish, Shai—Lik Kan 12
Indian Corn—Suk Mai 1
Lettuce—Young Sang Choi 6
Water Chestnuts—Ma Tai 1b 5
" Mandarin—Kwai Lun Ma Tai 6
Mushrooms, Fresh—Sang Cho Koo 60
Musk Melon, Amer.—Kam San Hong Kwai each 12
Okra 10
Onions, Bombay—Young Chong Tau 8
" Green—Sang Chong 8
" Shanghai—Shang-hoi Chong Tau 6
Papaw, 1st qual—Tai Man Sau Kua each 1
" 2nd Chung 1
Parsley—Kui Cho 1
Green Peas—Ching Tau 1
Potatoes, Sweet—Fan Shu 3
" Shanghai—Shang-hoi Shu Tai 3
" Japan—Yut Poon Shu Tai 3
" American—Fa Ki 3
" Footchow—Footchow Shu Tai 3
Pumpkin—Tong Kwa 3
Radish—Hung Lo Pak Tai 3
Rhubarb (Fresh)—Tai Wong 3
Sage—Tse So 3
Shallots—Gon Chung Tau 6
Spinach—Yin Choi 4
Tomatoes—Fan Ker 6
Taro—Wu Tau 6
Turnips, Punt, (Long)—Lo Pak 6
" English—Young Lo Pak 2
Vegetable Beans—Chit Kwa 1
" (Am.)—Kam San Chit Kw 1
" Wai Gai—Fai Yung (Ch) 1
" Lily root—Tun Ngu 1
" Yams—Ta Shu 1

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heavy; this fact will explain much of the trouble that has recently made government so difficult in the Middle Kingdom and brought the officials and people into such a degree of opposition and antagonism. Analysing the situation more closely, one writer points out that because of the lack of just and stable government in Morocco the commercial interests of other countries are involved and threatened, and consequently, the great Powers are bound to interfere, with the result that the end will be that Morocco will lose her independence and will, in all probability, become subservient to France or Spain. Hence it behoves the rulers of China to note carefully the trend of events in the West and the possibilities of the future; if they do not, assuredly in the coming days there will be like interference by outside Powers in the affairs of China, because of the internal troubles that are daily increasing and may at any time assume abnormal dimensions. Lastly, it is contended that the various Powers are each anxious for the supremacy of the sea in the waters around Morocco, and in same manner it seems likely that, unless China wakes up, she will lose her position in Eastern waters. One hardly knows what to think of such discussions. There is hidden in them a veiled insinuation that the Powers are waiting to seize every possible chance to wrench advantages from China, and this insinuation is bound to rankle in the minds of Chinese readers, who will credit the hints both because of what has happened in the past and because of their instinctive respect for those who pen Chinese leading articles. On the other hand, it is both healthy and natural that writers should seek to wake up China to the dangers that threaten her, and amongst them certainly are automatic government and illegal and unwarrantable taxation.

Let us now turn to another article bearing somewhat on the same general question. One of the rather conservative native papers has been pointing out what in its opinion is necessary for the safety and for the progress of the Empire at the present hour. It is argued that what China needs is, first, national material prosperity, and, secondly, a universal consciousness of love of country. Although the writer puts these two things in the above order, he spends but little time upon the former, though he states effectively, if briefly, that there must be commercial and material prosperity before there can be national stability. What is really required, he says, is a stronger manifestation of love of country amongst the people themselves, and especially among the higher classes. Japan is instanced as an example to be followed, and the writer refers to the wonderful movements which have been felt there during the last few decades. He says, truly enough, that there was first of all among the Japanese people a deep and new love for their country, and out of that love, manifested on all sides, there grew whole-hearted effort and then material prosperity set in; so to-day Japan is strong and able to defend her own in the face of any opposition. In China there is, it is held, really little true patriotism as it is understood by the nations of the West, and before China can move forward and gain any position of influence she must give birth to this new feeling and be prepared to make sacrifices on its behalf. There is no doubt that the writer is quite right in his diagnosis of China's troubles, and it must be agreed that these two elements are essential to the welfare of China, as indeed they are to the progress of any other country. The difficulty is to find a solid basis for material prosperity when so many people are so wretchedly poor and when there seems to be little or no hope of much better conditions. Real patriotism, too, is woefully needed, and if this spirit can only be called into existence and be made to warmly glow in the breasts of China's millions, something will have been done for the safety and progress of the country in the future.

NEWS OF THE DAY.

To-day's quotation for Para rubber, per Mestras Vannan and Smyth, 10s. 10d. Over \$300 worth of jewellery and bedding has been stolen from No. 15, Coombe Road, Magazine Gap.

The three submarines in Hongkong have completed with petrol preparatory to proceeding to sea for exercises next week.

There is no fresh business down for consideration at Thursday's Legislative Council meeting. Three bills have to be considered in committee.

An American, Mr. Frederick Sterry of New York, contemplates erecting a gigantic hotel in London at a cost of £2,000,000. An interview with Mr. Sterry on his huge project will be found on page 2.

His Excellency the Governor was "At Home" yesterday afternoon at Mountain Lodge. The weather was delightfully fine and a large number of residents partook of His Excellency's hospitality and enjoyed tennis, croquet, etc.

The following telegram was received by the American Consulate General Hongkong from the Manila Observatory at 10.45 a.m. to-day:—"Manila, August 30th—Cyclone or typhoon S.E. of Naha, moving N. or N.N.E."

An apprentice tailor living at No. 4, Gough Street, reports to the police that while walking in Square Street a man came behind him and stole three shirts, value \$16, which he was carrying under his arm. The thief made off along Hollywood Road and the police could not describe or identify him.

Mr. Victor Grayson (Socialist), speaking at Bedford, declared that the National Insurance Bill would smash the friendly societies, destroy the trades-unions and reduce the workers to national vassals. He did not think that any more dangerous bill had been introduced during the last 50 years.

A conference of the Scottish Coal-miners' Federation has adopted a policy providing for a working week of five days, and has also demanded that employers shall pay full compensation on injured workmen until they are fit to undertake light work or find employment.

According to the Tokio Press, the total receipts of the various monopoly offices for the year ended March 31 last amounted to ¥1,024,400,000, and the total expenditure to ¥4,323,000,000, leaving a balance of ¥3,298,600,000, which is divided as follows:—Tobacco ¥3,600,000, Salt ¥1,300,000, Camphor ¥8,000,000.

Weather permitting, the s.s. Heung-shan will make the excursion trip to Macao on Sunday the 3rd prox. leaving here at 9 a.m. and returning from Macao at 5 p.m. The s.s. Sui An will make an extra trip to Macao on Saturday, leaving here at 7 p.m. There will be three departures from Macao on Sunday—Sui An at 7.30 a.m. and 6 p.m. and Heung-shan at 5 p.m. Passengers leaving here on Saturday have the option of returning from Macao at any of the times mentioned.

Mr. Joseph Pointer, M.P. (Labour), writing to a labour newspaper, recently accused the Speaker of being a miserable, pitiable failure when dealing with the shouting down of the Prime Minister, Mr. Asquith, in the House of Commons last week, when he endeavoured to deliver a statement in regard to the Veto Bill. In the House of Commons the matter was brought up by Mr. A. R. M. Lockwood (Unionist). Mr. Pointer apologised to the Speaker and withdrew his remarks.

The total number of experiments performed on living animals in England and Scotland during 1910 by persons licensed for that purpose was 85,731. From a classification of the experiments it appears that the vast majority of them—namely, 90,792—were not of a serious character, and did not require the administration of anaesthetics, being attended by no considerable, if appreciable, pain. The remainder, 4,939 in number, included 2,943 experiments in which the animal was killed before it recovered from the influence of the anaesthetic. In 1,877 experiments the initial operations were performed under anaesthetics, from the influence of which the animals were allowed to recover. The number of experiments performed in the course of cancer investigations was 49,602.

A very interesting paying step, writes Mr. Heniker Henton in the "Nineteenth Century and After" for August, would be to introduce without delay penny postage to and from Japan. The post would not exceed £5,000 for the first year. We have already penny postage all round the world excepting to Japan. We have penny postage to Gibraltar, Malta, Egypt, India, Singapore, Hongkong, China (but not Japan), en route to Vancouver, Canada, San Francisco, United States, thence to Australia, New Zealand, and home via Africa. This proposal of penny postage to Japan is to be commended and there are strong reasons for believing that the present Postmaster-General will not leave office without establishing "universal" penny postage.

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The German Emperor will review 140 warships, aggregating 400,000 tons, on September 6, in Kiel Bay.

The Grecoan treasury is empty, and the Government has announced its inability to pay the Gendarmerie. Frequent meetings of armed men have been held, for the purpose of overthrowing the Government and the National Assembly.

The local office of the Toyo Kisen Kaisha inform us that the Co.'s new turbine steamer Shinyo Maru, having completed the transhipment of the mails, passengers and cargo from a.s. Nippon Maru which sailed hence on the 18th inst., sails from Yokohama for San Francisco on Thursday the 31st inst.

A Melbourne message says that recently the Minister for Customs (Mr. Tudor) wrote to those shipping companies in the Australian trade whose vessels pass through the Suez Canal, asking whether the reduction of 50 per cent in canal dues would be reflected in the freight charges to Australian consignors. He has received replies from the Orient Company, the P. and O. Company, the Messageries Maritimes, and the Nippon Yusen Kaisha. The latter of the replies is very similar, and is to the effect that no reduction is likely to take place on account of the trifling concession made by the Suez Canal Company, particularly in view of the increased burden placed upon shipowners by the ever-increasing demands made upon them in Australia in connection with wages.

SOCIAL AND PERSONAL.

Lieut.-Col. Sir Joseph Fyfe, Bart., M.D., has retired on retired pay.

Major Sir T. S. Tanquer, of the Central India Horse, is passing through. He arrived on the s.s. Delta.

Major Henry Walls-Cole, D.S.O., K.O.Y.L.I., General Staff Officer, has been made Brevet Lieutenant Colonel.

Prince Hiroshi Fushimi, the Japanese Envoy to the Coronation, returned to Tokyo on the 23rd inst. and has been received in audience by the Emperor.

Lieut.-Col. A. Chapman, who went home in command of the Hongkong Volunteer Contingent for the Coronation, returned to-day by the English Mail.

MACAO NOTES.

(From Our Own Correspondent.)

MACAO, August 28.

BENEVOLENT SOCIETY.

Some time ago the authorities turned their fatherly concern to the Wary Wanderer and relieved the City of his troublesome appeals to the well-to-do, the new arrival in particular, by dumping him on the island of Coloan, where he was housed and fed, with a tobacco allowance thrown in, and kept consistently busy at public works or otherwise, until such time when a revival of his dormant activity should warrant a more substantial gift pro quo. Now a benevolent society and labour agency, distinct from the great Charity Organisation, has been formed to attend to the wants of all forlorn but well-intentioned individuals, organise workhouses, promote the interests of the rising generation, in a word, to assist materially all those who fall on evil days as well as to further the well-being of those who are seeking their way up in life.

In view of the heavy outlay and inconveniences attendant on the transportation of Africa of criminals who are sentenced to Macao or at Tiam, it has been decreed that penitentiaries shall be established at the two said points which shall in future obviate the removal of convicts from the locality where they have been condemned.

In view of the deadly agency of the pestiferous gnat, the Government has with commendable public-spirit waived the duty chargeable on all mosquito-netting, the use of which do not exceed 8 square millimetres, that is imported into Portuguese Colonies.

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TO-DAY'S WEDDINGS.

Mr. J. F. Macgregor—Miss Shelton Hooper.

A wedding of very considerable interest was celebrated in St. John's Cathedral this afternoon, when Miss Dorothy Annette Shelton Hooper, second daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Shelton Hooper, of "Rougemont," Hongkong, was married to Mr. John Faras Macgregor, son of Mr. and Mrs. John Macgregor, of "Erbam," Hallsbank, Sussex. The bride's parents are old and well-known residents of the Colony, while the bride herself is extremely popular in Hongkong society; the bridegroom also is a very well-known. In these circumstances it was only natural that the wedding should attract a great deal of interest and that the Cathedral should be well filled with leading residents of the Colony. The marriage service, which was fully choral, commenced at four o'clock, and the officiating clergy were the Bishop of Victoria (Dr. Landale) and the Rev. A. B. Thornhill, M.A. Mr. Denman Fuller was at the organ and played Rubinstein's Melody and Mendelssohn's Wedding March, while the hymns were "Love Divine" and "O, Perfect Love."

The bride, who entered the sacred building on the arm of her father, who gave her away, looked extremely charming. She was attired in a magnificent gown of white satin charmesuse with a tunic of white net and silver beads. She also wore a long square court train and an embroidered Brussels net veil with a wreath of orange blossoms and jasmine. In her hand she carried a beautiful bouquet of white lilies and tuber roses arranged in silver effect.

She was attended by four bridesmaids—Miss Hutton Potts, Miss Dorothy Gordon, Miss Gertrude Page and Miss Dorothy Page—who looked sweetly pretty in their dresses of embroidered Indian muslin trimmed with Irish crochet, their white chip hats being adorned with pink La France roses and pale blue ribbons. Each carried a choice bouquet composed of pink roses with pale blue streamers, the gift of the bridegroom, who also presented each with a gold and jade bracelet.

Mrs. Shelton Hooper wore a cream coloured embroidered dress trimmed with Irish crochet and a French flowered toque, while she carried a bouquet of shaded sweet peas and maidenhair ferns.

Mr. Claude Evans, of Messrs. Caldwell, Macgregor and Co., Shanghai, was "best man."

Following the ceremony a largely attended reception was held at Ringelere, kindly lent by Mrs. G. Schae, when the customary toasts were honoured and Mr. and Mrs. Macgregor received the hearty congratulations and best wishes of hosts of friends. The honeymoon will be spent at Tin Fu, kindly lent by Mr. W. G. Moore.

The bride's gift to the bridegroom consisted of a set of pearl studs, while the bridegroom gave the bride a diamond pendant to the bride and a cheque to the bridegroom. A handsome rose bowl constituted His Excellency the Governor's gift, and there were besides over 200 other choice and appropriate presents.

Chariton—Leggo.

This morning at the Holy Rosary Church, Kowloon, the wedding was solemnised of Mr. Arthur Adrian Ben-Chariton, son of Mr. S. H. Beers, professor of music, Newcastle-on-Tyne, and Miss Annie Lily Leonie Legg, daughter of Mr. Henry Thomas Legg, of Lincoln. The ceremony was performed by the Rev. Father Spada.

The bride, who was given away by Mr. E. Jacobs, wore a cream semi-Empire robe of etienne de soie, with a Marie Antoinette fish and trimmed with heavy silk embroidery. She also wore a short train and a big picture hat of white crinoline trimmed with marabout feathers, chiffon and ribbons. She carried a shower bouquet of white roses and lilies.

The bridesmaids—Misses Carmelita and Ellenora Knuth—were attired in white silk dresses trimmed with tulle lace, and wore white silk bonnets trimmed with pink trails of flowers and ribbons. Their bouquets were of pink roses. Mr. Fred G. Chumyat was "best man."

After the ceremony a reception was held at the Station Hotel, and later Mr. and Mrs. Chariton left for Japan. The bride's going-away dress was of pongee silk and crêpe de chine, and she wore a chip straw

picture hat trimmed with roses, grasses and velvet.

The bridegroom's gift to the bride was a pearl and gold pendant and brooch, while to the bridesmaids he gave gold brooches. The bride's gift to bridegroom was a gold watch and chain. Among the other presents were the following:—

Mrs. Shuster to bride, cheque and gold and pearl brooch; Mrs. Shuster to bridegroom, gold signet ring; Master F. Shuster to bridegroom, gold tie pin; Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Ruttonjee, silver toilet set; Capt. and Mrs. Pittman, silver salt cellar; Mr. and Mrs. Bowen-Rowlands, silver spoons and salt cellars; Mr. and Mrs. Frank J. V. Jorge, silver photo frames; Mr. and Mrs. S. E. Green, silver powder box; Mr. and Mrs. R. Abraham, set of silver serviette rings; Mr. and Mrs. J. J. Blake, set of silver spoons; Mr. and Mrs. H. Lee, set of silver serviette rings and embroidered plane cover; Mr. and Mrs. MacDonald, pair of silver vases; Mr. and Mrs. E. W. Dawson, set of perfume and amber and silver cigarette holder; Miss R. Mow Fong, Swatow drawn work tea caddy; Mr. F. G. Chumyat, lacquered cabinet; Mrs. Chumyat and family, set of silver spoons; Mr. and Mrs. Pines, set of silver spoons; Mr. and Mrs. Abraham, set of silver spoons; Mr. W. Allen, set of silver spoons; Mr. Frank Lamont, Swatow drawn work tea caddy; Mr. A. E. Dunich, case of nutcrackers; Mr. B. W. Tapp, pair of silver vases; Mr. James Craig, silver mounted pickle jars; Mr. J. Quinn, silver mounted water jug; Mr. A. H. Abbas, silver mounted egg cup and stand; Mr. W. J. Carroll, pair of silver serviette rings; Miss M. Gains, pair of silver mounted mother-of-pearl pin trays; Mr. and Mrs. E. Jacobs, stained glass bowl; Mr. and Mrs. T. J. Richards, stained glass bowl; Mr. and Mrs. R. F. Barratt, pair of stained glass vases; Mrs. Chan, travelling shawl; Mrs. Li, silver button hook; Miss King Yick, shoe horn; Miss Lee, silver sugar tongs; Mr. S. G. Bolden, pair of vegetable dishes; Mr. S. E. Ismail, sandal wood and silk fan; Mr. and Mrs. Y. Lee, pair of silver pressed forks; office staff of Messrs H. Price & Co., silver rose bowl and stand; Mr. L. G. d'Almeida, Castro, silver toast rack; Mrs. and Misses Woo Yee Kai, pair of silver serviette rings; Mrs. Shuster's servants, silver pen holder and silver shoes horn and bottle of scent; Mr. and Mrs. J. Olson, case of silver spoons; Mr. C. W. and Miss Olson, pair of silver salt cellars; Mr. D. Rumbach, toast rack; directors of H. Price and Co. Ltd., case of champagne and pair of silver vases; Capt. and Mrs. Penndather, set of silver fruit knives; Mr. A. P. Nobles, pair of silver mounted acid bottles; Mr. and Mrs. Johnston, preserves open and fork in case; Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Osberry, silver mounted jar pot; Mr. E. A. Long, pair silver fruit dishes; Messrs Robinson and Clark, pair silver fruit dishes; Mr. A. Razak, silver photo frames; Miss Mary Palmer, tea caddy; The Messrs Bragg, gold brooch; Mr. W. H. L. Warren, toast rack; Mr. and Mrs. N. S. Moses, silver napkin rings.

SATURDAY'S CHARITY CONCERT.

Below we give the programme to be given at Saturday's charity concert on the Volunteer Parade Ground:—

PART I.

1. Selection from "The Dollar Princess." (Fall.)
2. The Band of the K.O.Y.L.I.
3. Tenor Solo. "Love could I only tell thee." (Cepel.)
4. Capt. G. P. Lammert, "The Slave Song." (T. del Riego.)
5. Miss Gordon.
6. Vocal Duet. "There was a time." (From "The Gondoliers.") (Gibson.)
7. Surgeon and Mr. Schindler.
8. Song. "Mr. W. A. Hamblin." (Wagner.)
9. Selection from "Lohengrin." (Wagner.)
10. The Band of the K.O.Y.L.I.
11. INTERVAL.
12. (a) Wells "Ill Fado." (Andrit.)
13. (b) Xylophone Solo. "Grip." (Smith.)
14. "Over the Tye." (Smith.)
15. The Band of the K.O.Y.L.I.

PART II.

1. Selection from "The Atrians." (Glockton.)
2. The Band of the K.O.Y.L.I.
3. Baritone Solo. "Land of Hope and Glory." (Egan.)
4. Violin Solo. "Aria Ballad." (de Beriot.)
5. Pianoforte "Gonzalez." (Egan.)
6. Song. "Mary of Argyle." (Egan.)
7. Song. "Love in Idleness." (Maabeth.)
8. GOD SAVE THE KING.
9. Accompanists.—Mrs. Barrington, Miss Dorothy Gordon, and Mr. George Grimble.

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INDIA'S PREMIER PRINCE DEAD.

THE NIZAM OF HYDERABAD.
(*Reuter's Service to the China Mail.*)
LONDON, August 30.

The death is announced of the Hon. Lieut.-General the Nizam of Hyderabad, G.O.B., G.C.S.I.

[Note.—The deceased was ruler of Hyderabad, the premier of the Native or Feudatory States of India, which is as large as the whole of Italy. As Nizam he enjoyed a very large revenue. He succeeded his father to the position in 1893, and was one of the three native rulers in India. He was a Mohammedan and his subjects were Hindus. The Nizam was 45 years of age on the day of his death. He was killed by Lord Ripon on February 28, 1884, when he was 18 years of age.—En. C.M.]

GERMANY'S TROUBLES.

BRITISH QUESTION NOW THE CHIEF.

(*Reuter's Service to the China Mail.*)
LONDON, Aug. 29.

The Frankfurt Zeitung reports regarding the draft Treaty between France and Germany on the Moroccan question is confirmed.

Herr von Kiderlin-Waechter, German Minister for Foreign Affairs, and M. Cambon, French Ambassador to Berlin, will resume their meetings on Thursday. The interview published by the *Neue Freie Presse* has, however, shifted the centre of interest to the Anglo-German situation. It is widely believed in Germany that there is something like a connection between Mr. Lloyd George's speech of the 27th July, the interview which appeared in the *Neue Freie Presse*, and the Kaiser's reference to a further increase in the fleet.

WHAT DID THE KAISER MEAN?

LONDON, August 30.

The Kaiser's Hamburg speech is variously interpreted by the Press as a peace speech and as a Navy speech.

The amendment of Germany's Navy Law has been long expected as a result of the Morocco crisis, and consequently the speech is regarded as an official intimation of that amendment.

OXFORD'S NEW BISHOP.

DR GORE APPOINTED.

(*Reuter's Service to the China Mail.*)
LONDON, Aug. 29.

Bishop Gore of Birmingham has been translated to Oxford to fill the vacancy caused by the death of Dr. Paget.

IRISH LORD CHANCELLOR.

SIR SAMUEL WALKER'S SUCCESSOR.

(*Reuter's Service to the China Mail.*)
LONDON, Aug. 29.

Mr. Redmond Barry, K.C., M.P., Attorney General for Ireland, succeeds the late Sir Samuel Walker as Lord Chancellor of Ireland.

RUSSIA AND JAPAN.

SETTLING WARDIFFERENCES.

The Era of Friendship.
(*Reuter's Service to the China Mail.*)
LONDON, Aug. 29.

It is reported from St. Petersburg that the Emperor of Japan has telegraphed to the Tsar expressing satisfaction at the establishment of a definite agreement between the two Governments, and stating that the vessel *Angara* will be handed back to the Russian Government as evidence of the unalterable friendship that the Emperor of Japan feels towards Russia.

The Tsar has replied thanking the Japanese Emperor for his message and stating that he shares the sentiments which the definite solution of all litigious questions has inspired in the mind of the Emperor of Japan. He regards the handing over of the *Angara* as a fresh proof of reciprocal friendship.

TERMS OF SETTLEMENT.

LATER.

The exchange of telegrams between the Emperor of Japan and the Tsar refers to the settlement without recourse to arbitration, of the last claims on differences arising out of the late war. These include the question of the hospital ships *Angara* and *Orel*, which were captured at Port Arthur by Japan, and which the Prize Court decided were legal prizes.

The *Angara* has now been restored to Russia, who will also recover the *Orel* on paying for her the sum of 150,000 yen.

THE ESPIONAGE CASE. AN ALLEGED BRIBE.

(*Reuter's Service to the China Mail.*)
LONDON, August 30.

The German officer Schultz has been committed for trial on the charge of espionage.

A witness who co-operated with the police gave evidence of accused having made promises of money to him in return for naval information. Accused, he said, gave him a written undertaking that he would pay him £25 for a certain report. Schultz had further informed witness that he knew Portsmouth and Woolwich very well and also knew Chatham.

GENERAL NOGI'S RETURN.

(*Independent News Agency's Service to the China Mail.*)
TOKYO, Aug. 30.

General Nogi returned to Tokyo last evening.

NEW JAPANESE MINISTRY.

CONSTITUTION OF THE CABINET.

(*Independent News Agency's Service to the China Mail.*)
TOKYO, Aug. 30.

A new Ministry was formed to-day. Marquis Saionji is the Premier, and the Cabinet is as follows:—

Foreign Minister..... Viscount Uchida
Home Minister..... Mr. K. Kato
Finance Minister..... Mr. T. Yamamoto
War Minister..... Baron Saionji
Minister of Justice..... Mr. J. Inoue
Education Minister..... Mr. S. Maeda
Agriculture and Commerce..... Count Hayashi
War Minister..... Baron Ishimoto

EFFECT OF THE UNREST.

MONEY LEAVES CANTON.

(*Wah Ta Yat Po's Service.*)
PEKING, August 29.

The Viceroy of Canton has wired to the Cabinet and the Board of Revenue stating that after the recent trouble many wealthy people left for other places and took with them large sums of money, thus causing the market of Canton to be in a very awkward position. The Viceroy requests financial assistance.

[Note.—It is stated that about \$100,000 have recently been deposited in the Hongkong and Shanghai Bank by Canton people. Previously this money was invested in the native banks in Canton.—En. C.M.]

S.S. FOOKSANG IN A TYPHOON.

The British steamer Fooksang from Moji reports: After passing Tung Tung Light on the 28th at 11 p.m. fell in with heavy Ely swell with falling barometer, and at 3 a.m. on the 29th the wind having freshened to hurricane force from E.N.E., drove ship to. During all the 27th in lat. 26° N. experienced heavy typhoon with force rain squalls and overcast sky and very heavy sea. During the night of the 27th the wind commenced to veer to S.E. and South and at 5.30 a.m. on the 28th, the wind having settled to S.S.W. and the barometer rising slightly, a course was again set through the Formosa Channel. Lowest barometer reading at 8 a.m. on the 28th was 29.27.

COL BEDFORD'S NEW APPOINTMENT.

P.M.O. of London District.

Colonel W. G. A. Bedford, C.M.G., Principal Medical Officer of the South China Command, has been selected for the appointment of Principal Medical Officer of the London District, which comprises the garrisons of the Metropolitan and Windsor, and is chiefly composed of the regiments of Household Cavalry and of the Guards Brigade. We understand that Colonel Bedford will proceed home in the transport *Bokilla*, leaving here in November; and that he is being succeeded by Lieut.-Colonel Irwin, from Tientsin, who will shortly receive his promotion to the rank of Colonel.

CAUSEWAY BAY ASSAULT CASE.

The assault case by neighbours at Nos. 4 and 5 Morton Terrace, Causeway Bay, was continued before Mr. P. A. A. Francis at the Magistrate's Court this afternoon. Mr. A. J. Walters, Chief Engineer of the s.s. *Charles Hardgill*, and Mrs. Walters summoned Theodore Braun, an overseer of the Sugar Refinery. There was a cross summons against complainant and his wife.

Mr. J. H. Gardiner for Braun and Mrs. Walters appeared. Mr. Walters, a former substitute amah in the employ of defendant Braun, related the facts of the quarrel and stated that the defendant Braun caused the latter to up-end the rickshaw caused the latter to up-end the rickshaw caused the latter to up-end the rickshaw.

Mr. Walters then came out of the rickshaw and argued with Braun. Walters pushed Braun, who retaliated. Mrs. Walters then brought the stick out and Walters got possession of it and struck Braun. The police then came on the scene. Witness did not see Braun strike Mrs. Walters. Cross examined by Mr. Gardiner, witness stated she was meeting Braun on the first floor when the trouble commenced and then she went on to the veranda.

Both solicitors addressed his Worship with regard to the evidence. His Worship reserved his decision.

COMPANY MEETING.

The United Asbestos Oriental Agency, Ltd.

The fifteenth annual general meeting of shareholders of the United Asbestos Oriental Agency, Ltd., was held at the Office of Messrs. Dodwell & Co., Ltd., Queen's Building, this afternoon.

Mr. G. H. Medhurst presided and there were also present:—Messrs. A. Ellis, A. Ritchie, A. Denison and G. R. Edwards, secretary.

The Chairman, in the course of his speech, said their net profits for the financial year ended the 31st May last were approximately the same as those of last year, falling short only by some \$250, so that they were enabled to maintain the same dividend as for the two preceding years, viz: 15 per cent. The Shanghai and Singapore branches had been closed in accordance with the arrangements referred to at the last meeting when he mentioned that the amalgamation of Bell's Asbestos Company, Limited, of London, and the United Asbestos Co., Ltd., of London, had resulted in a division of territory whereby they now acted as the sole representatives in Hongkong and South China of the Amalgamated London Companies. Their biggest asset was their stock, and as usual, this had been carefully checked and examined and full allowance had been made for all goods which showed signs of, or were subject to, deterioration.

There being no questions, the Chairman moved the adoption of the report and the accounts. Mr. Denison seconded, and the motion was carried.

On the motion of Mr. Ellis, seconded by Mr. Ritchie, Mr. W. Hutton Potts was re-elected auditor.

EASTERN SHIPPING NEWS.

The two postboats at Ningpo formerly belonging to the Societe Asiatique de Navigation have been purchased by the China Navigation Company for 7,000 taels. One was towed up to Shanghai two weeks ago and the other is to be brought here shortly.

The steamer *Kaiho Maru*, late Indo-China steamer, is reported to have gone ashore on the coast of Japan. The vessel lies in a hopeless position and will probably be abandoned as a total loss.

A subsidized line of steamers between Japan and the Black Sea by way of Hongkong and other ports of call has just been commenced. At present the service will be monthly. It has been inaugurated by the *Sagami Maru*, which has sailed for the Russian port of Novorossiisk.

The *Hansa Steamship Company* of Bremen, which is now running vessels to the Far East in conjunction with the *Hamburg-America Line*, has ordered two more steamers of 8,700 tons, one to be constructed by the *Weser Company*, of Bremen, and the other by the *J. C. Tecklenburg Company*, of Geestemünde.

The cargo which was damaged by the fire in the forehold of the Blue Funnel steamer *Antiochus* on July 16 and landed at Peking has been sent forward to Europe by other steamers of the line. The hemp for Liver pool was transhipped to the *Machoon*, 577 bales and a quantity of loose cargo being taken on by the *Nelus* and the remainder, consisting of 1,145 bales and some loose cargo, being transhipped to the *Sarpedon*, on July 24.

It is officially stated in the German Press that there is no foundation for the reports to the effect that the *Hamburg-America Line* has purchased a large tract of land in San Francisco in order to build docks to be ready by the opening of the Panama Canal. Equally baseless is the statement that the company intends to establish a new line of steamers to run from New York through the Panama Canal to San Francisco and Yokohama.

Mr. W. T. Guy, chief officer, *Tatung*, has gone on leave.

Mr. A. Ralston, second officer, *Lian*, has gone acting chief officer, *Tatung*.

Mr. A. Aldridge, supernumerary, *Poyang*, has gone third engineer, *Tatung*.

Mr. J. S. Day, second officer, *Kinling*, has gone second officer, *Chincha*.

Mr. J. M. Clark, second officer, *Chincha*, has gone second officer, *Lian*.

Mr. R. Fox, third engineer, *Newchwang*, has gone supernumerary, *Dredger*.

Mr. O. A. G. Roberts, second officer, *Luchow*, has resigned.

Mr. W. Roberts is appointed second officer, *Luchow*.

Mr. R. W. Lord, supernumerary, *Dredger*, has gone acting third engineer, *Newchwang*.

Captain Cammahan, of the *Poyang*, has gone on leave.

Captain Mathral, of the *Luchow*, has gone master, *Poyang*.

Mr. H. D. Oranston, supernumerary, *Dredger*, has gone supernumerary third engineer, *Kinling*.

Mr. A. Hamilton, from leave, has gone supernumerary third engineer, *Dredger*.

Mr. R. W. Bateman, from leave, has gone third officer, *Suisang*.

Mr. E. D. Forrester, from leave, has gone chief engineer, *Kutwo*.

Mr. W. Graham, chief engineer, *Kutwo*, is awaiting orders.

Mr. J. E. Fawcett, third officer, *Suisang*, has gone second officer, same ship.

Mr. E. Tappin has been appointed third officer, *Openang*.

Mr. O. L. Sharpe, from leave, has gone third engineer, *Yuenang*.

Mr. A. D. Iles, third engineer, *Yuenang*, has gone on leave.

Mr. W. Phillips, awaiting orders, has gone chief officer, *Feiching*.

Mr. N. Mizen, chief officer, *Irene*, has gone on leave.

REPORTED SERIOUS RIOTS IN HEUNGSHAN.

FOREIGNERS INVOLVED.

The *Chung Kwo* native paper, reports at some length a riot which occurred on Friday last at Shai Shai, the central city of the Heungshan district. The cause of the trouble is the alleged rowdiness of two foreigners. One is described as a German and the other as an Italian priest, though apparently the German was the aggressor. The trouble began in a shop to which the foreigners went to buy some lametade. Because the hands of the man in charge were dirty a fuss was made and the employee was hurt. Next the foreigners went into a shop to change some notes, but the shopkeeper declined to have anything to do with them. Then the German went to a stand to hire a chair, and because the charge made was deemed excessive there was further trouble, and one of the chairbearers was injured. Such are the detailed statements printed as to the course of events. Meanwhile rumours of what was happening were bruited abroad, and the anger of the people was aroused. The German was threatened, and seeing that the aspect of affairs was threatening, he ran away and took refuge in a doctor's shop. By this time a big crowd had gathered together and a furious attack was made upon the shop. Stones were flung, and there was a determined attempt made to demolish the building.

News of what was going on was by this time conveyed to the yamens and the officials and their guards turned out in large numbers to attempt to control affairs. According to the story, the officials made their way into the shop and took possession of the foreigners. They then disguised him in Chinese clothes of the workman's type, and so managed to smuggle him away out of the hands of the mob into the yamen. When the mob found this out, they rushed off to the landing stage where the German's motor boat lay moored and they stoned the craft, though whether they destroyed it or not is not clearly reported.

Meanwhile the officials issued a hurried proclamation. After recounting some of the events, it pointed out that the injured men had been taken to the hospital, and were being looked after, and the foreigners were in safe custody and would be handed over to the proper authorities to be tried according to the provisions of the treaties; therefore, the people were to go quietly about their business and at once disperse. If they failed to do this, and if they made any further trouble, the consequences would be upon their own heads, and the results would be found to be serious.

But the crowd was by this time not to be so easily handled. They determined to have their revenge upon some one or something, and so they set fire to the shop in which the man had taken refuge. When the fire began to blaze the firemen did not dare to come to the rescue, and so the building was quite gutted and all the property destroyed. Before this happened it appears that several persons, and among them some of the officials, were hurt, and the soldiers were in consequence called upon the scene with their rifles. They fired some volleys in the air, but even then this did not scatter the mob, and at ten o'clock at night there was still a good deal of confusion. On the following morning at five o'clock the two foreigners were taken by the officials to a small gunboat, under the escort of soldiers, and shipped off to Canton. When they reached the boat they demurred to going on board, but their common sense prevailed when it was seen that they were under the control of a company of soldiers, and the mob was standing frowning by.

That morning the city gates had been kept closed, and many shops had refrained from taking down their shutters. All this was done because there was apprehension that the rowdy element would seize the good things in some of the shops. Already some of the ringleaders have been arrested and are being examined, in some cases under torture. It appears that the officials are ever in mortal dread lest these local riots shall develop into something more serious, and be the beginning of big trouble.

As things during the day appeared to clear, the shopkeepers took down their shutters and the city gates were again opened for traffic. By midday the trouble had passed over and business assumed its normal conditions.

On the Saturday the officials issued joint proclamation, the terms of which were very severe. It seems clear enough that whatever happens no riots are to be looked upon with indifference on the part of the authorities, but the severest measures will be adopted by them to seek out the ringleaders, and once captured, they will be severely punished before them.

Telegrams had been passing from Heungshan and Canton during the riots, and the Viceroy was kept in touch with all that was happening. It was by the order of the Viceroy that the foreigners were arrested and sent to Canton under escort, to be dealt with according to the provisions of the Treaties. The full tide of threats upon the people was finally completed by a proclamation from the Viceroy himself, in which in a few words he summed up all the threats, and reiterated all the threats, even more severely than his subordinates had done, of what would follow were the people still to cling to the notion that they could take the law into their own hands, and that they would be provoked to do so.

Whatever exaggeration there may be in the report, it appears that there was serious trouble. This is all the more to be regretted because there appears to have been provocation at the hands of foreigners. When foreigners go into the country the natives, there may be provocation at times, and there will be attempts at over-reaching on the part of the natives when Chamberlain's Colic, Cholera and Diarrhoea Remedy is used. This remedy has no superior for bowel complaints. For sale by all Chemists and Dispensaries.

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Long Bow and Broad Arrow, by Major W. P. Drury.

Thus Saith, Mrs. Grandy, by Annesley Kenally.

The Green Mouse, by Robert W. Chambers.

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CHINESE CHRISTIANS AND THE CORONATION.

The King Deeply Touched.

The Bishop of Victoria sent to His Majesty the King a copy of the Chinese form of service used in St. John's Cathedral on Coronation Day, and has to-day received the following reply:—

BUCKINGHAM PALACE, July 29.
My Lord,—Your letter of the 8th July and the form of Chinese Service held on the occasion of the Coronation have been laid before the King.

His Majesty is much interested in reading your letter and is deeply touched to think that so many Chinese Christians assembled at St. John's Cathedral on his Coronation Day to offer their prayers for the welfare of His Majesty and the Royal Family.

I am, my Lord, Your obedient Servant, Clive Wigman.

The Right Reverend, The Bishop of Victoria, Hongkong.

SPORTING.

Lawn Tennis.

In the final for the Northumberland lawn tennis singles championship Ritchie beat Dunlop, 2-6, 6-3, 6-2, 6-4. In the doubles championship Dunlop and Dunlop beat Ritchie and Frabrie, 7-9, 6-2, 6-1.

AT THE MAGISTRACY.

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